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In re Application of:

Toshio Mikiya, et al.

Serial No. 10/808,067

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For: PIPE COUPLER

Examiner: Dunwoody, Aaron M.

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 16, 2006**

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Dear Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action dated June 16, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.